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SUBJECT: PHOUMI VONGVICHIT TO ACT FOR SOUVANNA DURING HIS ABSENCE

LAO FOREIGN MINISTRY SENT CIRCULAR NOTE DATED AUGUST 13, WHICH INFORMED US THAT DURING "SICKNESS AND ABSENCE" OF PRIME MINISTER, PHOUMI VONGVICHIT, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER, WILL ASSURE THE CARRYING OUT OF DAY-TO-DAY ACTIVITIES (ASSURES "L'ESPEDITION DES AFFAIRES COURANTES") OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. THE NOTE ADDED THAT THIS ARRANGEMENT WAS EFFECTIVE JULY 12, (THE DATE OF SOUPANNA'S HEART ATTACK). DECREE, UPON WHICH NOTE IS BASED, EXPLICITLY STATES THAT PHOUMI MUST CONSULT REGULARLY WITH DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER LEAUM SO THAT ALL MATTERS WILL BE RESOLVED ON BASIS OF UNANIMITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH VIENTIANE ACCORDS. THE DECREE EMPOWERS PHOUMI TO SIGN CORRESPONDENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DECREES ONLY AFTER THEY HAVE BEEN INITIALLED BY LEAUM. NEITHER THE DECREE NOR NOTE REFERS TO PHOUMI AS PRIME MINISTER "AD INTERIM" OR AS "ACTING" PRIME MINISTER.

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